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Note On *Gibsoniothamnus*

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The species roughly intermediate between the Bignoniaceae and the Scrophulariaceae continue to cause taxonomic headaches. Williams has proposed the genus *Gibsoniothamnus* to encompass several species of this alliance which had been erroneously treated under Verbenaceae. He correctly cites his new genus as a further link between the Scrophulariaceae and the enigmatic genus *Schlegelia* which traditionally has been included in the Bignoniaceae. Unfortunately, however, he overlooked the fact that *Gibsoniothamnus pithecobius*, the type species of *Gibsoniothamnus*, is identical to *Schlegelia cornuta* Donn.-Sm., based on a Heyde and Lux collection, number 3044, from San Miguel Uspantán, Quiché, Guatemala.

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